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In one embodiment a precursor gas for growing a polycrystalline silicongermanium region and a single crystal silicon-germanium region is supplied. The
precursor gas can be, for example, GeH4. The polycrystalline silicon-germanium region
can be, for example, a base contact in a heterojunction bipolar transistor while the single
crystal silicon-germanium region can be, for example, a base in the heterojunction bipolar
transistor. The polycrystalline silicon-germanium region can be grown in a mass
controlled mode at a certain temperature and a certain pressure of the precursor gas while
the single crystal silicon-germanium region can be grown, concurrently, in a kinetically
controlled mode at the same temperature and the same pressure of the precursor gas. The
disclosed embodiments result in controlling the growth of the polycrystalline silicongermanium independent of the growth of the single crystal silicon-germanium.